

ACTION: Agency proposal for the collection of information submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Ch. 35), the Commission has submitted a proposal for the collection of information to OMB for approval. The proposed information collection is a survey to be sent to participants in Commission injury investigations (primarily countervailing duty, antidumping, and safeguard investigations) to obtain feedback on the procedures used by the Commission in the conduct of such investigations. Any comments submitted to OMB on the proposed information collection should be specific, indicating which parts of the survey are objectionable, describing the problem in detail, and including specific revisions or language changes.

DATES: To be assured of consideration, comments should be submitted to OMB on or before June 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments about the proposal should be directed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: David Rosker, Desk Officer for U.S. International Trade Commission. Copies of any comments should be provided to Robert Rogowsky (U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the proposed survey and Supporting Statement submitted to OMB are posted on the Commission's World Wide Web site at <http://www.usitc.gov> or may be obtained from Lynn Featherstone, Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone 202-205-3160. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In its Strategic Plan (also available on the agency's World Wide Web site), the Commission set itself the goal of obtaining feedback on investigative procedures from users of the agency's import injury investigation process. The proposed 1-page survey seeks to gather that feedback to allow the Commission

to ensure that its procedures are fair and equitably implemented.

The survey asks if the Commission's rules and other written guidance make clear to participants what the Commission expects of them procedurally in an investigation; if there are area(s) where additional guidance would be of benefit to their participation in investigations; if Commission personnel responded to procedural inquiries in a helpful way; if their access to information collected by/ submitted to the Commission was satisfactory; if their opportunity to present information for consideration by the Commission was satisfactory; and if they have any other comments or recommended improvements. It will be sent to firms that have participated in an antidumping, countervailing duty, or safeguard investigation during the period October 1, 1998–September 30, 1999. Responses are voluntary. While the survey will be made available on the Commission's Web site, responses must be in paper form.

The Commission estimates that the survey will impose an average burden of less than 1 response hour each on 50 respondents. No recordkeeping burden is known to result from the proposed collection of information.

By order of the Commission.

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Donna R. Koehnke,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-35,449A]

ARCO, dba ARCO Exploration and Production Technology (AEPT) Plano, TX; Notice of Affirmative Determination Regarding Application for Reconsideration

By letter of April 5, 1999, the petitioners requested administration reconsideration of the Department of Labor's Notice of Negative Determination Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance, applicable to petition number TA-W-35,449A. The denial notice was signed on February 24, 1999 and will soon be published in the **Federal Register**.

The petitioners allege that the workers at ARCO Exploration and Production Technology (AEPT) are engaged in domestic exploration of oil and gas and

provided information for consideration which was not provided during the original investigation.

Conclusion

After careful review of the application, I conclude that the claim is of sufficient weight to justify reconsideration of the Department of Labor's prior decision. The application is, therefore, granted.

Signed at Washington, DC this 21st day of April 1999.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-35,663 and TA-W-35,663H]

Baker Hughes Inteq Headquartered in Houston, TX, Operating in the State of West Virginia; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on March 25, 1999, applicable to all workers of Baker Hughes Inteq headquartered in Houston, Texas. The notice will be published soon in the **Federal Register**.

At the request of the petitioners, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New findings show that worker separations have occurred at Baker Hughes Inteq operating at various locations in the State of West Virginia. The workers are engaged in employment related to exploration and drilling of crude oil wells for unaffiliated customers.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Baker Hughes Inteq adversely affected by increased imports. Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to cover workers of Baker Hughes Inteq operating at various locations in the State of West Virginia.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-35,663 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Baker Hughes Inteq, Headquartered in Houston, Texas (TA-W-35,663) and operating at various locations in the State of West Virginia (TA-W-35,663H) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after February 2,